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▀ New Albany
Ohio
BioBlitz 2022

What is a BioBlitz?

Why participate?

A BioBlitz focuses on identifying as many species as possible in an area over a short period of time. Families, community members and scientists work together to get a snapshot of an area's biodiversity. More importantly, a

BioBlitz is a great excuse to get outside and explore natural areas of the community. By looking closely and documenting the plants and animals around New Albany, we hope participants will learn more about their surroundings. And have some fun along the way!



Rules and Specifics

1. Dates: Saturday April 23--Sunday May 8.
2. Residents may post photos on the iNaturalist app of wildlife in their neighborhoods, at local metro parks (Blendon Woods, Rocky Fork), or in other natural places around New Albany.
3. Participants should not take pictures on other people's property without permission.
4. Please do not get too close to wild animals and stay safe when exploring woods or metro parks.

▸ Be a Citizen Scientist!

One of the world's most popular nature apps, iNaturalist helps you identify the plants and animals around you. Get connected with a community of over 400,000 scientists and naturalists who can help you learn more about nature! What's more, by recording and sharing your observations, you'll create research quality data for scientists working to better understand and protect nature. iNaturalist is a joint initiative by the California Academy of Sciences and the National Geographic Society.



Making Your Own Account

Download the iNaturalist app on your mobile device. Click under the green Login bar where it says “New to iNaturalist?” You will see three lines to be filled in. Please note, when choosing a login name, iNaturalist doesn’t recognize dots, so barnes.1 becomes barnes1.

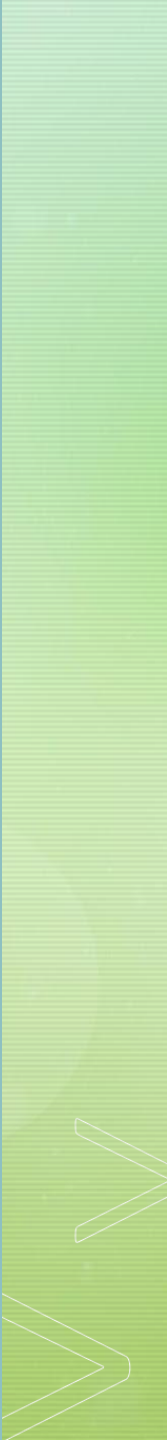


Join the BioBlitz!

In the iNaturalist app, click on the Projects Tab at the bottom of the screen.

In the Search bar, type in New Albany Ohio BioBlitz 2022. Click on the project and click Join.

We will have BioBlitz winners for Most Species observed. Try to make observations of as many different types of wildlife as you can find. Prizes will be awarded to the top contestants!



HOW TO TAKE PICTURES:

1. FOCUS IT!



2. Fill the Frame



3. You can take several pictures of one thing.



4. NO PETS, PEOPLE,
CULTIVATED PLANTS or FACES



6. You can not use someone else's picture.

Do not take pictures off the internet! This is illegal.
iNaturalist will remove you from this event and may cancel your account.

YES



NO



EXAMPLE: I saw this bird (picture 1) but my picture didn't come out very well. Then it flew away.
Can I find a picture of the same bird on the internet and use it?
NO. You may only use pictures YOU actually take. Please do not substitute your pictures!

6. PICTURES FROM THE INTERNET

- Pictures on the internet can not be copied and posted into iNaturalist. This is copyright infringement. It can muddy research data. Accounts be banned if they do this.



7. Don't Comment on Other People's Posts

Professional Scientists will look at our images and help make sure our observations are correct. Please don't comment on other posts or agree with their identifications. We need to leave this to the scientists!

HAVE FUN
AND
THANKS
FOR BEING
A CITIZEN
SCIENTIST!

